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#### AMENDMENT UNDER §1.116

In response to the final rejection mailed December 24, 2003, please amend the application as follows.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

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Transmitted herewith is a response to the Office Action mailed December 24, 2003 in the above-identified application.

Any fee for additional claims has been calculated as shown below:

### **CLAIMS AS AMENDED**

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Total Claims	*21	Minus	**26	=0	x \$9	\$	x \$ 18	\$0
Independent Claims	*3	Minus	***3	=0	x \$43	\$	x \$ 86	\$0
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- Small entity status of this application 37 CFR §§1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted or is enclosed.
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